1 2 TMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA 3 5 Case No. 2012-272 In the Matter of the Accusation Against: KIM MARIE MARKIEWICZ DEFAULT DECISION AND ORDER 100 Manatee Crossing #108 7 Daytona Beach, FL 32119 [Gov. Code, §11520] Registered Nurse License No. 539643 RESPONDENT 10 11 12 FINDINGS OF FACT 13 1. On or about October 31, 2011, Complainant Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN, in her 14 official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of 15 Consumer Affairs, filed Accusation No. 2012-272 against Kim Marie Markiewicz (Respondent) 16 before the Board of Registered Nursing. (Accusation attached as Exhibit A.) 17 On or about January 2, 1998, the Board of Registered Nursing (Board) issued 18 Registered Nurse License No. 539643 to Respondent. The Registered Nurse License was in full 19 force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on October 31, 20 2013, unless renewed. 21 On or about October 31, 2011, Respondent was served by Certified and First Class Mail copies of the Accusation No. 2012-272, Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense, 22 23 Request for Discovery, and Government Code sections 11507.5, 11507.6, and 11507.7 to Respondent's address of record which, pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 136 24 25 and/Title 16, California Code of Regulation, section 1409.1, is required to be reported and 26 maintained with the Board, which was and is: 27 100 Manatee Crossing #108 28 Daytona Beach, FL 32119.

- 4. Service of the Accusation was effective as a matter of law under the provisions of Government Code section 11505, subdivision (c) and/or Business & Professions Code section 124.
- 5. On or about November 8, 2011, Respondent signed and returned a Notice of Defense requesting a hearing in this matter. A Notice of Hearing was served by mail at Respondent's address of record and it informed her that an administrative hearing in this matter was scheduled for May 30, 2012. Respondent failed to appear at that hearing.
 - 6. Government Code section 11506 states, in pertinent part:
- (c) The respondent shall be entitled to a hearing on the merits if the respondent files a notice of defense, and the notice shall be deemed a specific denial of all parts of the accusation not expressly admitted. Failure to file a notice of defense shall constitute a waiver of respondent's right to a hearing, but the agency in its discretion may nevertheless grant a hearing.
 - 7. California Government Code section 11520 states, in pertinent part:
- (a) If the respondent either fails to file a notice of defense or to appear at the hearing, the agency may take action based upon the respondent's express admissions or upon other evidence and affidavits may be used as evidence without any notice to respondent.
- 8. Pursuant to its authority under Government Code section 11520, the Board finds Respondent is in default. The Board will take action without further hearing and, based on Accusation No. 2012-272 and the documents contained in Default Decision Investigatory Evidence Packet in this matter which includes:
 - Exhibit 1: Pleadings offered for jurisdictional purposes; Accusation No. 2012-272,

 Statement to Respondent, Notice of Defense (two blank copies), Request
 for Discovery and Discovery Statutes (Government Code sections
 11507.5, 11507.6 and 11507.7), proof of service; mail receipt; Notice of
 Defense and Notice of Hearing;
 - Exhibit 2: License History Certification for Kim Marie Markiewicz, Registered

 Nurse License No. 539643;
 - Exhibit 3: Out of State Discipline (Louisiana and Nevada Board of Nursing);

ORDER

IT IS SO ORDERED that Registered Nurse License No. 539643, heretofore issued to Respondent Kim Marie Markiewicz, is revoked.

Pursuant to Government Code section 11520, subdivision (c), Respondent may serve a written motion requesting that the Decision be vacated and stating the grounds relied on within seven (7) days after service of the Decision on Respondent. The agency in its discretion may vacate the Decision and grant a hearing on a showing of good cause, as defined in the statute.

This Decision shall become effective on Changary 14, 2013

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Board of Registered Nursing Department of Consumer Affairs State of California

Attachment:

Exhibit A: Accusation No. 2012-272

Accusation No. 2012-272

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8	BEFORE THE
9	BOARD OF REGISTERED NURSING DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS
10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11	In the Matter of the Accusation Against: Case No. 2012-272
12	KIM MARIE MARKIEWICZ 100 Manatee Crossing, #108
13	Daytona Beach, FL 32119 Registered Nurse License No. 539643 A C C U S A T I O N
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15	Respondent.
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17	Complainant alleges:
18	<u>PARTIES</u>
19	1. Louise R. Bailey, M.Ed., RN (Complainant) brings this Accusation solely in her
20	official capacity as the Executive Officer of the Board of Registered Nursing, Department of
21	Consumer Affairs.
22	2. On or about January 2, 1998, the Board of Registered Nursing issued Registered
23	Nurse License Number 539643 to Kim Marie Markiewicz (Respondent). The Registered Nurse
24	License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in this Accusation
25	and will expire on October 31, 2013, unless renewed.
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JURISDICTION

- 3. This Accusation is brought before the Board of Registered Nursing (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, under the authority of the following laws. All section references are to the Business and Professions Code unless otherwise indicated.
- 4. Section 2750 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may discipline any licensee, including a licensee holding a temporary or an inactive license, for any reason provided in Article 3 (commencing with section 2750) of the Nursing Practice Act.
- 5. Section 2764 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary proceeding against the licensee or to render a decision imposing discipline on the license. Under section 2811, subdivision (b) of the Code, the Board may renew an expired license at any time within eight years after the expiration.
- 6. Section 118, subdivision (b), of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the expiration of a license shall not deprive the Board of jurisdiction to proceed with a disciplinary action during the period within which the license may be renewed, restored, reissued or reinstated.

STATUTORY AND REGULATORY PROVISIONS

7. Section 2761 of the Code states:

"The board may take disciplinary action against a certified or licensed nurse or deny an application for a certificate or license for any of the following:

- "(a) Unprofessional conduct, which includes, but is not limited to, the following:
- "(4) Denial of licensure, revocation, suspension, restriction, or any other disciplinary action against a health care professional license or certificate by another state or territory of the United States, by any other government agency, or by another California health care professional

COST RECOVERY

12. Section 125.3 of the Code provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

FIRST CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Out of State Discipline) (Bus. & Prof. Code § 2761, subd. (a)(4))

- 13. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (a)(4), in that on or about June 19, 2008, in a disciplinary action before the Louisiana State Board of Nursing (Louisiana Board), the Louisiana Board entered a Final Order (Order) denying Respondent's application for licensure by endorsement and revoking Respondent's temporary permit.
- 14. The Louisiana Board's disciplinary action was based upon its findings of fact that on or about March 1, 2008, while employed as a registered nurse at Our Lady of the Lake Regional Medical Center, Respondent displayed behaviors indicative of impairment or drug use, or both. Specifically, Respondent displayed slurred speech with dry mouth, spilled medications, and exhibited loud, inappropriate, and paranoid behavior at work. Respondent remarked to coworkers that she had taken "stuff" stronger than Ativan, asked a co-worker how long it took for drugs to get out of your system, and stated that she had delayed her drug test for the agency that she worked for. Furthermore, Respondent tested positive for Cocaine on a for-cause drug screen.

SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Out of State Discipline) (Bus. & Prof. Code § 2761, subd. (a)(4))

15. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 13 and 14 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth.

16. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (a)(4), in that on or about May 19, 2010, the Nevada State Board of Nursing (Nevada Board) moved to ratify staff denial of Respondent's application as a registered nurse based upon Respondent's violation of Nevada statutes pertaining to fraudulent application and action in another state. The Nevada Board's action also invalidated any temporary license issued to Respondent to practice in the State of Nevada.

THIRD CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – Misrepresentation in Procuring License) (Bus. & Prof. Code § 2761, subd. (b))

- 17. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 13 and 14 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth.
- 18. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (b), in that she procured her nursing certification from the Board through misrepresentation. The circumstances are as follows:
- 19. On or about August 3, 2009, Respondent submitted a Renewal Application (Application) under penalty of perjury to the California Board of Registered Nursing. In her Application, Respondent specifically denied having had a license disciplined by a government agency or other disciplinary body since she last renewed her license. Respondent's denial of prior discipline in her Application constitutes a misrepresentation in procuring the renewal of her California registered nurse license given the disciplinary order entered by the Louisiana Board on or about June 19, 2008, as set forth above in paragraphs 13 and 14.

FOURTH CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(Unprofessional Conduct – False Statement or Information in Application) (Bus. & Prof. Code § 2761, subd. (e))

- 20. Complainant realleges the allegations contained in paragraphs 13, 14, and 19 above, and incorporates them by reference as if fully set forth.
- 21. Respondent has subjected her registered nurse license to disciplinary action under Code section 2761, subdivision (e), in that she made or gave false statements and information to

1	the California Board in connection with her application for renewal of her California registered
2	nurse license. The circumstances are set forth above in paragraphs 13, 14, and 19.
3	<u>PRAYER</u>
4	WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein alleged,
5	and that following the hearing, the Board of Registered Nursing issue a decision:
6	1. Revoking or suspending Registered Nurse License Number 539643, issued to Kim
7	Marie Markiewicz;
8	2. Ordering Kim Marie Markiewicz to pay the Board of Registered Nursing the
9	reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Business and
10	Professions Code section 125.3;
11	3. Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper.
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14	DATED: October 31, 2011 Stave Bern
15	DATED: VILLOUISE R. BAILEY, M.ED., RN Executive Officer
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